AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

40. (Previously Added) A method of cueing a recorded video program to a desired segment comprising:

detecting events in the video program, each of said events being at least one of a flat frame, a silent frame and a cut;

storing data representative of a time of occurrence of each event;
analyzing temporal spacing of the events to classify segments of the video
program between events as belonging to one of a first and second category;

cueing the video program to an event located at a beginning of a next segment classified as belonging to the second category.

41. (Previously Added) An apparatus for automatically cueing a recorded video program to a desired segment comprising:

means for detecting events in the video program, each of said events being at least one of a flat frame, a silent frame and a cut;

means for storing data representative of a time of occurrence of each event;
means for analyzing temporal spacing of the events to classify segments of the
video program between events as belonging to one of a first and second category;

means for cueing the video program to an event located at a beginning of a next segment classified as belonging to the second category.

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